

filling a discharge gas into the discharge space.

33. (AS NEW HEREIN) A method of manufacturing a gas discharge panel as recited in claim 32, further comprising:

removing an impurity in the discharge space prior to filling the discharge gas thereinto.

34. (AS NEW HEREIN) A method of manufacturing a gas discharge panel as recited in claim 31, further comprising, prior to forming the sealant, providing a barrier wall on at least one of the pair of substrates so as to prevent an inward invasion of the melted sealant.

35. (AS NEW HEREIN) A method of manufacturing a gas discharge panel as recited in claim 31, further comprising pinching peripheral portions of said stacked substrates together.

36. (AS NEW HEREIN) A method of manufacturing a gas discharge panel as recited in claim 35, further comprising using temporary fixing clips to pinch peripheral portions of said stacked substrates together.

37. (AS NEW HEREIN) A method of manufacturing a gas discharge panel as recited in claim 31, wherein the discharge space communicates through a through hole with an exterior of the gas discharge panel, further comprising exhausting the discharge space via a conduction pipe connected to the through hole.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to afford a varying scope of protection for the invention, relative to the claims already herein. No new matter is presented.

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.